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THE WHOLE PLAN

Told in Detail by a Correspondent at Havana.

SCHEME OF THE GOVERNMENT

Concerning the Inquiry and What He Thinks Will Be Done When the Report is Ready to Be Given Out—Elaborate Theory.

New York, March 1.—(Special.)—In a special to the New York Journal, Alfred Henry Lewis, writing from Havana, has thus figured the whole thing out:

The destruction of the Maine, the killing by murderous treachery of more than 250 American seamen, were merely the expression in Havana of a Weyler plot in Madrid. Weyler ordered it, and it was done. More and more is this the Spanish whisper in Havana. Weyler gave the order and the Maine went down. It is significant that the above is the general story among the Spaniards. Not alone do the Weyler people tell it as they joyfully congratulate each other over the blow to the Yankees, but the Blanco party have the same story. Blanco himself believes it. It is even said that the two or three gullies, as the agents of Weyler, of the crime against the Maine, could be apprehended. Blanco could lay hands on them. Their immediate superior officers could point them out. But, Blanco doesn't dare.

These wretches are never to wear Spanish bonds, at least, for the destruction of the Maine. It would do Spain no good. It would neither avert a war nor stay defeat, and in the final crash, with Sagasta to go down and Weyler seize the power, it would leave Blanco and whoever had part or lot in their arrest or punishment as open targets to the Weyler revenge.

Moreover, the arrest of these murderers would entail such dishonor on the Spanish army that a century's sponge might not suffice to wipe it out, and it would confess America's case against Spain.

Besides, Blanco and his people are as eager today to cover and shield the Maine's assassins as is Weyler himself.

Speaking of Weyler, I have heard, by the way, that De Lome is a trusted adherent of Weyler, and that his recent letter concerning McKinley, autonomy and kindred matters was a mistake neither in its writing nor its discovery.

I am told that the De Lome letter and Maine destruction had a common purpose and common inspiration. The one was written and the other sunk by secret work of Weyler, and the object of each was war and the ruin of Sagasta.

With every Spaniard in Havana admitting by every private fashion that the Maine fell a prey to Spanish treachery, it might seem strange that McKinley should waste time with inquiry; but, the naval people are very hopeful of it all. They say investigation is a ruse, a mere time getter. The naval people feel sure of a coming brush with Spain as of the decks beneath their feet. One of them said today:

"What is the use of congress appropriating \$200,000 to raise the Maine? Before the work could be half accomplished the wreckers would be forced to give it up. Why? Because Havana harbor will be a battle ground. Within two months, say before April 1, or May, I'll wager my commission the Americans will fight the Spaniards for the city. It will storm shot and shell there. With such a feature, it's all nonsense wasting money to raise the Maine. After the Dons are thrashed it will be different." In the mess room, ward room and forecabin, men and officers, forward and aft, the talk buzzes of our coming war with Spain. And the officers at least have it all figured out. Here's how they talk it. There's no doubt of Sampson's report. The sinking of the Maine will be traced to a Spanish submarine mine, exploded by a Spanish officer, but without orders or authority from the Spanish government.

On this America will base demands against Spain. These demands are to be heavy and humiliating. American sentiment will not permit anything less. Spain will then ask for time for her own investigation. She will argue the need of first informing herself. Possibly a week or two will be allowed to slip by in concession to Spain. But the end will come, and the fleet will be ordered to take Havana. This may occur even before war is formally declared.

Our officers say that we will have to fight the Spaniard in the harbor. He will not come into the open sea. He will go into the harbor with his navy and make the Yankee come after him.

It will be like drawing the badger. The

Spaniard will go into the harbor so as to bring his shore batteries and submarine mines and torpedo service into greater action. He will add ships to the shore and harbor defenses.

But, say our naval folk, the Yankee will fool the Spaniard. He will not go into the harbor after him to be blown up like the Maine, or to break his teeth on the shore batteries. The Yankee fleet will lie off and on, outside the harbor, beyond the mines and shore guns, and only attack the Spaniard should he attempt to come out.

Pending this blockade, however, the Americans will be throwing a land force into Cuba, not a day's march from Havana. That is where our militia will have a chance to swell powder. This land force will not eat up much time either in its mobilization or in its transportation to the scene of war. The United States could in a week land overpowering force in Cuba. Our naval people say this land force will first attack Havana from the rear, and that the fleet will follow the land force in time of attack.

According to our hopeful naval folk, McKinley and Long knew that the Spaniards sunk the Maine in six hours after she went down; that Sigbee told them so; that they knew there would be war ever since, and have been and are getting ready.

These men of carnage also assert that the war will be over and won by May 15; that it will be confined to Havana and vicinity, and that Spain and the United States proper will only hear of it by wire.

At the close of hostilities Cuba will be free, but, being as we are under the thumb of the Rothschilds and the tribe of money, we will insist that Cuba provide, by a new issue of bonds or in some part for the proportionate share of the Spanish debt, say \$200,000,000. Cuba, through Gomez will object to this, and we may yet have to conquer that stubborn island ourselves to make her accept.

DR. J. J. BURNS

Delivers, at Sparta, a Lecture on the Rise and Culmination of American Literature.

Dr. J. J. Burns, of Delaware, lectured at Sparta on Saturday night to a large and appreciative audience on "The Rise and Culmination of American Literature." It was a scholarly and most interesting revelation of the beginning of our American literature, of the raw but most excellent material, followed by a suggestive and critical description of the best things that our American literature holds as compared with the great English literature. He also made most helpful suggestions, enabling the audience, and particularly the young people, to discriminate in their reading of the best modern authors. The humorous elements of our literature were made to shine by their original luster, and the audience laughed heartily and listened most courteously. It was altogether such a lecture as enables one to carry away a great deal with him for future utility, and could not help but delight and instruct the most intelligent audience.

Dr. Burns has been spending a few days among his old friends in the city. He was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Krichbaum at Sparta and of Mr. and Mrs. Johnson Sherrick in Canton. He is looking exceptionally well, and outside of his regular work as superintendent of the Delaware school, he seems to be doing a "heap" of literary work. The Doctor has many warm friends in Canton who know how to appreciate his great learning and fine literary attainments.

BOUND OVER.

After a Preliminary Hearing W. J. Piero is Held Under a Reduced Bond.

The preliminary hearing of Attorney W. J. Piero, charged with concealing government property, was held before U. S. Commissioner Folger, in the mayor's office, Massillon, this morning at 10 o'clock. U. S. District Attorney Dodd, of Cleveland, represented the United States, while Attorneys C. C. Bow and Judge Thayer, of Canton, defended. Michael Bar, of Canton, Inspector A. P. Owen, Deputy Postmaster Frank Brown and Stamp Clerk Edward Sibila, of the Massillon office, testified. Piero was bound over to U. S. court in the sum of \$1,000, which was furnished by the former bondsmen.

WILBUR KAHNS INJURED.

Word has been received that Mr. Wilbur Kahns, son of Captain and Mrs. H. L. Kahns, had a fall from a horizontal bar at Gambler recently. He sustained a severe cut on his chin, necessitating several stitches by a physician. The accident was not reported at the time but he is now so far along as to insure that no serious scar will result.

"A dose in time saves lives." Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup, nature's remedy for coughs, colds, pulmonary diseases of every sort.

THOSE LETTERS.

Four of Them Are Read at the Preliminary Hearing.

THEIR CONTENTS DISCLOSED.

Testimony That Has Been Much Talked About and What It Was When Finally Introduced—Testimony of Postoffice Inspector Owen.

As set forth in last evening's issue, the hearing of W. J. Piero, charged with having in his possession government property and concealing it, came up before Squire Folger, United States Commissioner at Massillon, and defendant was held under a reduced bond. During the progress of the hearing, Postoffice Inspector A. P. Owen gave testimony as to the work on the case that had come under his official notice. He told of his visit to the office of Mr. Piero on February 23, when, with Marshal Reed and Officer Becherer, of Canton, the search was made and the stamps and alleged burglar tools found. Witness said that Piero denied that he had stolen the goods in his possession. He said that all the stamps he had had bought and paid for, some at the post-office and some at drug stores. Mr. Owen asked if he had not paid a bill for something more than \$6 in stamps to the Appleton Publishing Co., of Cincinnati. Piero replied that he had, saying that he had bought these stamps. The inspector then produced these stamps, among them some newspaper and periodical stamps. The latter, said the witness, could not be procured anywhere by any other means than by being stolen from a postoffice. Witness stated that Piero offered no explanation. Mr. Owen said that he had received the stamps and information from the department at Cincinnati. When the stamps and alleged burglar tools were found in Piero's office he expressed great surprise, said the witness, and earnestly protested that he never knew they were there. Continuing, the witness testified that in no other post-office that he visits are the stamps kept in sheets of fifty, as in Massillon. At other places they are kept in the same form as when received from Washington.

This concluded Mr. Owen's testimony on this branch of the case, and the prosecution here introduced four letters that were found when Mr. Piero's offices were visited. Much stress has been laid to the existence of these letters, and as it has been given out that they are expected to play an important part in the trial of the case, there has been much speculation as to their contents. There have also been many unauthorized statements as to their contents, and rumor has stopped at nothing. Because of this interest, the four letters that were introduced in evidence are appended. It will be observed that the letters are only suggestive. They, the friends of Mr. Piero claim, may mean anything or nothing. Friends point out that Mr. Piero has been connected with others in the contracting business and that he has also had connection with a bridge works in this city. The conjectures concerning the letters, if any, may, however, be left with the candid and unbiased reader. The first letter is said to have been written by Mr. Piero, but did not reach the party to whom it was addressed, and therefore came back. Here are the four letters:

ONE TO DALY.

Mr. Michael Daly, Cumberland, Md.—Dear Sir: Your favor at hand and in reply would say there are two good contracts to be had provided you have an experienced mechanic, as it is large, heavy work and would require four or five men at least on this work. One or two of them must be experts on heavy work. Several others had figured on this work before but were afraid they could not do the principal mechanical part of it. Now your bill should come in next week if possible, before it is let to someone else. I told Bill about this work two weeks ago, but he says his foreman in the mechanical department is sick or he would have tried the job before this. Now if you are coming on to put in a bid let me know at once, and when you get here come and see me first before you see anyone else in town, so that I can give you the points necessary. Hoping to hear from you soon, I am, Yours truly, DICK.

FROM DALY.

Dear Dick: I am out of work and if you have anything to do in my line of business please send me word. I can explain the reason of my absence when I see you personally. I was sorry to see the bungling work Bill done for you. I have a gang of bridge men and they understood their work perfectly. Yours truly, MIKE DALY.

SIGNED "B."

Friend Dick: That works all O. K. I will have to go again today and will write or come down. I hurt my eyes or would have written yesterday. My right eye is bad. 10,000 candle power. I should have worn glasses. Yours, B.

FOSTER WRITES.

Cleveland, Oct. 5, 1897. Mr. Piero—Dear Sir: I went to Marquette to see Pete to get ball but could not get it there. It is this way, the bond must be made out now. I could not get fingers there. Now I have a party that will advance the money for \$300, with the security I can give. Can you raise the money? If so, please send word. If there is anything else answer. Write on return mail. Yours, A. J. FOSTER.

PARMA, CUYAHOGA COUNTY.

It is said that there are other letters in the possession of the officials that will be used at the trial, and that they contain some suggestive matter. Whether they are of greater importance than the ones introduced yesterday will be noted at the trial. It has been suggested in some

quarters that the officers have been expecting a confession from Mr. Piero that will implicate others. What they have been expecting, if anything, no one can know, but it can be stated with authority that if they have expected anything of the kind, they no longer entertain the notion. The officers expect Mr. Piero to fight the case to the end, and as he has promised that they shall not be disappointed in that regard, that incident of the case may be diplomatically said to be closed.

TENDER STRUCK HER.

Visitor Injured by a Valley Switching Engine.

DIDN'T HEAR ITS APPROACH.

Fortunate Escape From Her Perilous Position Without Injuries of Aggravated Nature—Lost in a Maze of Streets.

Mrs. Mary Bortz, a lady whose home is two miles south of Onida, was struck by a Valley engine in Canton Monday afternoon. Mrs. Bortz had come to the city to attend the performance of "The Brownies." She boarded a street car on her arrival and transferred to the South Market street line, intending to visit with relatives Mr. and Mrs. George W. Shearer, who reside at 313 Sheridan street. Mrs. Bortz states that she asked the street car conductor to let her off at the Valley switch on South Market street, but he left the car, it is stated, at the street car switch above without informing the motorman as to the passenger's desires. Consequently she was carried to the Valley line further south and left in a portion of the city entirely unfamiliar to her. In her endeavor to locate Sheridan street she was upon the track when the 4:14 Valley train came north. For some reason the engine was attached to the train with the tender in front. Mrs. Bortz claims she did not hear the train's approaching. She was struck by the tender and thrown from the track. The train was immediately stopped and the injured woman was picked up and carried to the Valley station. Dr. C. E. Shilling was called and had the woman, who was conscious, taken to her destination in Sheridan street. An examination revealed the fact that no bones were broken, though the bruises received were very painful. Today she is resting as easy as can be expected, and will remain at the Shearer residence until she recovers sufficiently to be taken home.

STOCK RUINED

And the Building Badly Damaged By the Blaze.

PLUMBING SHOP WAS VISITED

By a Fire That for a Time Threatened the Entire Structure in Which It Was Located—Damage Amounts To a Big Figure.

An alarm from box 35 at 5:30 o'clock this morning called the entire fire department to the plumbing establishment of L. B. Hartung, 132 East Seventh street. Fire had in an unknown manner started in the stock room of the store where the finest line of plumbing and gas fitting supplies were kept. The blaze had gained considerable headway before the alarm was sounded, but the quick and efficient work of the firemen soon told on the fire, which was sounded out a half hour after the first lines of hose were laid.

C. Monnot, the bookkeeper of the establishment, stated that it was difficult to place the amount of damage sustained. The fine brass chandeliers and the better class of goods in the house were badly scorched. He thought \$5,000 would cover the damage, with insurance less than that sum on the stock. The building was damaged to the extent of about \$500. It is insured. The fire was confined to the first floor and besides slight damage by smoke nothing was injured in the upstairs departments.

Mr. Hartung said this afternoon that his loss would be about \$4,000. This is covered by insurance, there being \$4,800 on the stock, placed with the Per Lee Welfy and James M. Fife agencies. The building is owned by President McKinley. The damage is covered by insurance.

FOR THE KLONDIKE.

Two Train Loads of Reindeer Pass Through Canton on Their Way To the Far North West.

Two train loads of reindeer passed through the city at noon today. The animals were being shipped to the Klondike. There were 537 deer on the cars. Besides there were three cars of attendants and prospective gold seekers, one car of boats, eleven cars of supplies.

Hives are terrible torment to the little folks, and to some older ones. Easily cured. Doan's Ointment never fails. Instant relief permanent cure. At any drug store, 50 cents.

All Democrats in Stark county are invited to join the Jefferson Club.

GREENWALD OUT.

The Case Against Him Comes to a Sudden End.

A QUESTION OF OWNERSHIP.

Misinformation by Parties Who Ought to Have Known the Facts the Cause of the Action—General News From the Courts.

In common pleas court Monday afternoon the case of Ohio vs. Charles Greenwald, for burglary, came to a sudden and unexpected termination. Greenwald had been indicted for breaking in the store and stealing money from B. J. Douds of the Canton Pharmacy. At the preliminary hearing in mayor's court and before the grand jury, as well as in court Monday, testimony was introduced to show that B. J. Douds was the owner of the drug store. Later, when Dr. Douds took the stand, he testified that he was the manager of the pharmacy, but did not own it. Prosecutor Pomerene thereupon moved to nolle the case and the court sustained the motion. Greenwald was dismissed. C. C. Upham represented the defendant. The indictment read, after reciting the alleged crime, "the same being the property of B. J. Douds." As the same was not the property of B. J. Douds, that fact was fatal to the indictment.

NEW CASES.

Edwin A. Swineford has commenced an action against Sarannus Lengle in common pleas court to secure an offset on judgment secured by plaintiff in justice's court against defendant to the amount of \$39.86, as against judgment plaintiff by defendant in a suit against Seemann & Seemann paid for \$21.29.

An injunction petition was filed in common pleas court Sunday. Frank Manist, Mattha Timbo and Laura Mohr brought the action against the C. C. & S. railway, to enjoin them from building a switch adjoining their properties in Short street, this city, which was commenced Sunday. Plaintiffs claim the switch will obstruct the street and render their residence properties wholly unfit for dwellings. John Sponseller filed the petition.

The City of Massillon has sued the Canton-Massillon Electric Railway Company to recover \$3,000, which is alleged to be the amount of a bond forfeited by reason of defendant's failure to construct their line to Navarre within a certain agreed time. E. G. Willison, city solicitor, filed the petition.

J. C. Siskafosse has brought action against Allen Snellbaker et al. to collect \$500 alleged due on notes and secured by mortgage. J. T. Smith filed the petition.

CRIMINAL CASES.

J. F. Powell, of Waynesburg, was fined \$50 and costs and sentenced to ten days at the workhouse by Judge McCarty Tuesday morning. Powell was indicted for selling liquor to minors, selling on Sunday and advising perjury. He pleaded guilty to the first indictment by arrangement, thereby saving the county unnecessary expense and the second count against him was nolle. The third count stands.

The case of Ohio vs. Hahn, for counseling illegal voting, was passed until a later day.

The case of Ohio vs. John W. Myers, for embezzlement, will be assigned for trial the week of the fourteenth.

JONES FOR CUBA.

His Resolution Will Come Up Under a Special Order Wednesday Afternoon.

Columbus, March 2.—(Special.)—The members of the house returned from the Sunday recess in a most belligerent mood. Among the first resolutions to come in was one by Mr. Swingle, urging the granting of belligerent rights to the Cuban patriots and scoring the Spaniards for their treachery. The resolution pledges the support of the state to the national government to uphold the national honor. The resolution went over under the rules, and almost immediately Mr. Cox offered another relieving the committee on federal relations from further consideration of a Cuban resolution offered early in the session by Mr. John P. Jones. The resolution was adopted and the Jones Cuban resolution will come up as a special order this afternoon.

PROBATE COURT.

Estate of Isaac Meiser, Onaburg; will filed for probate.

Estate of Eva Gillespie, Alliance; final account filed.

Assignment of George J. Geszner, Paris township; sale of land confirmed and deed ordered.

Assignment of Mathias Clemens, Navarre; sale of desperate claims ordered.

Estate of Mary A. Leshar, Canton; priorities of liens determined and distribution of proceeds from sale of land ordered.

Estate of Solomon Reinisch, Tuscarawas township, exceptions to final account overruled.

Guardianship of Louisa J. Fuehs, Canton; first partial account filed.

Estate of Mary A. Leshar, Canton; final account filed.

Assignment Louisa Balser, Canton; on his own motion Augustus Gachatte

granted leave to answer instant petition to sell real estate.

Assignment of Aloise Dillman, Nimishillen township; petition for sale of legacy filed.

Estate of Daniel K. Smith, Marlboro township; will filed for probate.

Guardianship of Susie and Maggie Sprinkle, Marlboro township; final account filed.

Estate of Nancy McClarron, Alliance; Emma Hyre appointed executrix.

Guardianship of Hayes Boon et al; Alliance; final account filed.

Guardianship of G. C. and Harry Yant, Sandy township; first partial account filed.

Estate of Conrad J. Gelger, Canton; J. A. Reynolds appointed administrator.

Assignment of A. House, Canton; sale of real estate confirmed and deed ordered.

Estate of Lydia Miller, Perry township; inventory and appraisement filed.

Estate of Anna Miller, Perry township; inventory and appraisement filed.

Estate of Lydia and Anna Miller, Perry township; private sale of grain and hay ordered.

Assignment of John Loftus, Alliance; report of payment of final dividend filed.

Estate of J. A. Bortz, Lake township; sale of land confirmed, deed ordered and distribution of proceeds.

Estate of Elizabeth Wertemberger, Nimishillen township; will filed for probate.

Estate of W. F. Ziesinger, Canton; second partial account filed.

Assignment of A. House, Canton; priorities of liens on personal property determined.

Guardianship of H. Oscilla, Wernet, Canton; Catherine Wernet appointed guardian.

Receivership of Marks & Co., Massillon; final account and statement of claims filed.

Estate of Ambrose Ehreit, Massillon; fourth partial account filed.

Estate of Mary J. Barr, Alliance; final account filed.

Estate of Leopold Schmidt, Canton; final account filed.

Guardianship of Alice Brown, Marlboro; exceptions to final account filed.

Guardianship of Lucinda J. Kurtz, Massillon; final account filed.

Estate of Jacob Bullion, Marlboro township; Frank Bullion appointed administrator.

Estate of Daniel Yonkman, Bethlehem township; first partial account filed.

Estate of Rudolph Sprinkle, Bethlehem township; will admitted to probate.

Estate of Jacob Paul, Tuscarawas township; petition to sell real estate filed.

Assignment Standard Paving Brick Co., Canton; first partial account filed.

Estate of Conrad J. Gelger, Canton; petition to sell real estate filed.

COURT NOTES.

Matters That Occupy the Attention of the Judge and the Lawyers.

The case of Ohio against Andrew Dangleisen was taken up by Judge McCarty and a jury this morning. Dangleisen, it will be remembered, was indicted by the grand jury last May for shooting with intent to wound Christain Frantz of Massillon. The papers in the case were lost in some manner and it was necessary to indict him again at the last session of the grand jury. Dangleisen is represented by Attorneys E. G. Willison of Massillon and C. C. Bow of Canton. Prosecutor Pomerene represents the state. Zachariah Kaylor has sued William Schweier et al. to recover \$251 on a promissory note. D. M. Shetler filed the petition.

RADICAL CHURCH

Gets a Request From a Testator Who Was Opposed to Secret Societies.

The will of Judith Putman, late of Sugar Creek township, was filed for probate Tuesday afternoon. It is brief and makes a disposition of real and personal property, except clothing and pictures, as follows: The property, the will says, "shall become the property of the U. B. Church in Christ, as held under the constitution of 1841, or what is now understood to be that part of said church which is opposed to all secret society organizations and holds members thereof not properly members of their church, or what is known as the radical church." The clothing and pictures are to go to relatives. The will was made in June 1891.

PERMITS TO MARRY.

S.W. Linowor and Lavina Royer, Hartsville.

Will H. Young and Mary P. Caldwell, Canton.

J. A. Davey and Cora I. Phelan, Massillon.

A. H. White and Mrs. C. F. Humelban, Canton.

Injured in Mexico.

Wallace Snyder, of Massillon, Monday received a telegram from Monterey, Mexico, stating briefly that his mother, Mrs. J. F. Snyder, and uncle, George Snyder, with a lady, Mrs. Peters, had been injured in a street railway accident in that city. The extent of the injury or particulars, were not given. The people are members of the Snyder-Hess party who started from Massillon for a fifty days' tour of the southwest on February 17.

Balser Property Not Sold.

The Balser music hall was to have been sold at assignee's sale Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. There were no bidders, however, and the property will probably be offered again at a later date.

Cure that Cough with Shiloh's Cure. The best Cough Cure. Relieves Croup promptly. One million bottles sold last year. 40 doses for 25 cts. Sold by Fred P. Shanefelt & Co., E. L. Orr, Market St.; K. C. Miller East End.

BOSS STOCK JOBBER

Says There Will Be No War and What He Says Always Goes.

THE MIGHTY CHIEF HAS SPOKEN.

The Country Has Waited Long Enough For the Deliverance But May Now Rest Assured That It Has Heard Direct From the Headquarters.

Washington, March 2.—(Special.)—Everyone can now readily see the trend of affairs, and the delay in the investigation of the Maine disaster can be explained in only one way. There is to be no war. It was first tipped off by Hanna to the stock ticker, and now it has become a fixed fact. Hanna intimated it a few days ago. Now he makes it positive, and Johnnie may as well put his gun away, and everyone may take things easily, sleep peacefully and rise late. The boss stock jobber of the administration has spoken.

"There will be no war." The nation has waited long and anxiously for this deliverance. It has watched Mr. Hanna dodging subpoenas from the senatorial investigating committee at Columbus. It has observed with admiration his statesmanlike efforts to secure the confirmation of the odoriferous Demas as naval officer at New Orleans. But all the time it was a little uneasy about this Cuban business. It yearned to hear the best or the worst from the master spirit of the administration. And Hanna has spoken.

"There will be no war." The giant intellect which squelched the lake sailors, which ground the coal miner of the Hocking valley into impalpable powder, which reduced the Cleveland iron workers to abject submission, would, of course, make a mere holiday of trouncing Spain. But Hanna is merciful.

"There will be no war." And what Hanna says goes. In the firm of "Mc & Mack" Mr. Hanna is the controlling partner. The junior member of the concern meets the public and poses as the active man. But the senior member signs the checks. "Mack" is the minority stockholder. Mark is the whole thing.

"There will be no war." Unless the American people should take it into their heads to dump Hanna and the administration invertebrate, and declare it.

CHILLY BATH.

A Cleveland Man Stands the Operation and Mr. Bryan Tells Him There Are Others.

Cleveland, March 2.—(Special.)—Shortly after the last presidential election, Edward Boltz, of Denison avenue, paid an election bet by having a stream of cold water turned on him. The matter was reported in the newspapers and was brought to W. J. Bryan's attention. A few days ago Mr. Boltz received the following letter from Mr. Bryan:

Mr. Edward Boltz, Cleveland, Ohio.—My Dear Sir: I find among my unanswered letters a clipping from a Cleveland newspaper describing the manner in which you satisfied an election wager. I presume the clipping was sent to me by you, and I am not sure whether I made an acknowledgment of it. It is doubtless quite disagreeable for you to undergo the shower bath, but if you ever feel inclined to worry about it just remember that many who supported the Republican party in 1896 have been treated by the events to a more chilling bath than that through which you passed. I believe the principles which you advocated are growing stronger and will ultimately triumph. Very truly yours, W. J. BRYAN.

WANT PROSPERITY.

Five Hundred Columbus Men Hold a Meeting and Petition For Something to Do.

Columbus, March 2.—(Special.)—A novel meeting was held in the city hall. About 500 unemployed workmen, who have not seen any of the McKinley prosperity, assembled to petition the mayor and council to give them work in cleaning the streets or otherwise. The meeting was addressed by Mayor Black, who promised to do all in his power for the men. A permanent organization was formed and those who attended the meeting are determined to have work if there is any way of getting it.

TO THE DEVIL.

That's Where a Fair Specimen of the Present Congress Says the Public May Go.

Washington, March 2.—(Special.)